IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

JOSEPH JONES,

Plaintiff,

:

v. : CIVIL ACTION NO. 19-CV-4724

:

SCI FAYETTE,

Defendant.

<u>ORDER</u>

AND NOW, this \ day of October, 2019, upon consideration of Plaintiff Joseph Jones's Motion to Proceed *In Forma Pauperis* (ECF No. 1), Prisoner Trust Fund Account Statement (ECF No. 4), and Complaint (ECF No. 2), it is **ORDERED** that:

- 1. Leave to proceed in forma pauperis is **GRANTED**.
- 2. Joseph Jones, #NM-8344, shall pay the full filing fee of \$350 in installments, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(b), regardless of the outcome of this case. The Court directs the Superintendent of SCI Fayette or other appropriate official to assess an initial filing fee of 20% of the greater of (a) the average monthly deposits to Jones's inmate account; or (b) the average monthly balance in Jones's inmate account for the six-month period immediately preceding the filing of this case. The Superintendent or other appropriate official shall calculate, collect, and forward the initial payment assessed pursuant to this Order to the Court with a reference to the docket number for this case. In each succeeding month when the amount in Jones's inmate trust fund account exceeds \$10.00, the Superintendent or other appropriate official shall forward payments to the Clerk of Court equaling 20% of the preceding month's income credited to Jones's inmate account until the fees are paid. Each payment shall refer to the docket number for this case.

- The Clerk of Court shall SEND a copy of this Order to the Superintendent of SCI
 Fayette.
 - 4. The Complaint is **DEEMED** filed.
- 5. The Complaint is **DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE** for failure to state a claim pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(2)(B)(ii), for the reasons in the Court's Memorandum.
- 6. Jones is given leave to amend within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order in the event he can state a plausible basis for a claim against an appropriate defendant. Any amended complaint must identify all defendants in the caption of the amended complaint in addition to identifying them in the body of the amended complaint and shall state the basis for Jones's claims against each defendant. The amended complaint shall be a complete document that does not rely on the initial Complaint or other papers filed in this case to state a claim. When drafting his amended complaint, Jones should be mindful of the Court's reasons for dismissing the claims in his initial Complaint as explained in the Court's Memorandum. Upon the filing of an amended complaint, the Clerk shall not make service until so **ORDERED** by the Court.
- 7. The Clerk of Court is **DIRECTED** to furnish Jones with a blank copy of this Court's current standard form to be used by a self-represented litigant filing a civil action bearing the above-captioned civil action number.
- 8. If Jones fails to comply with this Order, his case may be dismissed without further notice for failure to prosecute.

BY THE COURT:

CHAD F. KENNEY,